

April 7, 2003

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT
COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 5

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.

1. RESOLVED, that the following items are hereby received and filed.

Item Page -2003 (Comm. 6M-10)
a. **CITY OF BUFFALO:** Copy of Resolution Re: Clean Air Act.
(5-0)

Item Page -2003 (Comm. 7D-4)
b. **DEP:** SEQR – Solicitation for Lead Agency Status – Project No. C617-03-224.
(5-0)

Item Page -2003 (Comm. 7M-6)
c. **NYS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & MARKETS:** Landowner Proposals for
Inclusion of Viable Agricultural Land in Existing Certified Agricultural District.
(5-0)

2. Item Page -2003 (Comm. 7E-18)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, the County, Southtowns Sewage Treatment Agency/Erie County Sewer District No. 3 (ECSD #3) and the Village of Blasdell desire to amend the ECSD #3/Southtowns Sewage Treatment Agency Budget to include the Village of Blasdell; and

WHEREAS, discussions have been held over the past year with representatives of the County and the Village of Blasdell identifying the cost effectiveness of consolidating ECSD #3/Southtowns Sewage Treatment Agency with the Village of Blasdell and preparing an amended 2003 Budget; and

WHEREAS, agreements have been executed between the County on behalf of ECSD #3 and the Southtowns Sewage Treatment Agency, and the Village of Blasdell to consolidate sewer operations which have been previously approved by the Erie County Legislature; and

WHEREAS, an amendment of the Budget, which was approved by the Legislature in November 2002, is necessary to apportion costs and offsetting revenues based on the inclusion of the Village of Blasdell; and

WHEREAS, included in the costs are one upgrade of a current position and creation of six new positions needed to take over the additional job duties as a result of the consolidation; and

WHEREAS, the Budget in the pertinent Expense & Revenue DAC Codes must be increased accordingly.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that it is hereby approved to amend the ECSD #3/Southtowns Sewage Treatment Agency Budget to include the Village of Blasdell with an overall increase in appropriations and revenues of \$318,557 as shown on the attached Amended Budget sheets; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the creation of six new positions and the upgrading of one current position are also approved as follows:

1. Create one Sr. Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator, JG 9
2. Create one Sewer Maintenance Worker, JG 7
3. Create one Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator II, JG 6
4. Create one Maintenance Worker – Sewerage, JG 5
5. Create two (2) Seasonal Laborers – Hrly.
6. Upgrade the Chief of Maintenance from JG 12 to JG 13

to transfer existing personnel of the Village and to allow for continual cost effective, efficiently run operations and to provide treatment and maintain the sewers for the Village of Blasdell; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Department of Environment and Planning be authorized to underfill the newly created positions with Laborer and/or Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Trainee positions, if necessary to help effectuate the transfer of the employees from the Village of Blasdell; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the total increase in budget of \$318,557 be placed and distributed among pertinent Expense and Revenue DAC Codes for Fund 220, Project 853, Department 830, and Fund 220, Project 853, Departments 831 and 832, as follows:

<u>DAC Code (Expense)</u>	<u>Amount of Budget Increase</u>
220 853 830 800 Personal Svcs.	\$100,563
“ “ “ 801 Overtime	\$ 7,911
“ “ “ 805 Fringe Benefits	\$ 25,677
“ “ “ 811 Clothing Supplies	\$ 919
<u>DAC Code</u>	<u>Amount of Budget Increase</u>
220 853 830 816 Mainten. Supplies	\$ 36,166

“	“	“ 820 Utility	\$ 700
“	“	“ 821 Dues & Fees	\$ 2,567
“	“	“ 823 Repairs & Maint.	\$ 11,667
“	“	“ 826 Other Expenses	\$ 8,750
“	“	“ 830 Contractual	\$ 31,004
“	“	“ 832 General Liability	\$ 11,667
“	“	“ 880 2211 Util. Ent. Fund	\$ 30,420
“	“	“ 880 3110 Inter-Undistr. Countywide Expense	\$ 2,917
“	“	“ 880 5100 Interfund DISS	\$ 10,879
“	“	“ 882 8500 Interfund DSM	\$ 36,750

<u>DAC Code (Revenue)</u>	<u>Amount of Budget Increase</u>
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220 853 831 549 0145 Blasdel	\$239,411
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220 853 832 549 0145 Blasdel	\$ 91,046
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<u>Amount of Budget Decrease</u>

220 853 831 698 0105 Use of Fund Balance	\$ 11,900
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RESOLVED, that certified copies of the approved Resolution is sent to Charles J. Alessi, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Environment and Planning, the Erie County Personnel Department, the County Comptroller and the Erie County Budget Office.
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3. Item Page -2003 (Comm. 7E-21)

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, the United States Surgeon General has identified radon gas to be the second leading cause of lung cancer in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has identified Erie County as high risk for radon potential; and

WHEREAS, Erie County has successfully established and operated a Radon/Indoor Air Quality Program since 1993 and has acquired valuable experience and expertise; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Counties has awarded Erie County two grants totaling \$4,500 to perform radon awareness activities for the citizens of Erie County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Executive is authorized to accept two grants totaling \$4,500 from the National Association of Counties (NACo) for radon outreach and education activities, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the budget for the NACo Indoor Air Quality Coalition and Model County Grant Program is hereby established as follows:

REVENUES:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Description</u>	
640-0400	Federal Aid - NACo	
	▪ Indoor Air Coalition Initiative	\$2,500
	▪ Indoor Air Model County Program	<u>\$2,000</u>
Total		\$4,500

APPROPRIATIONS:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Description</u>	
814	Lab Technical Supplies	\$1,400
826	Other	1,100
830	Contractual Services	<u>2,000</u>
Total		\$4,500

and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be sent to the Director of Budget, Management and Finance; Laurence K. Rubin, Commissioner of Environment and Planning; Michael Raab, Deputy Commissioner of Environment and Planning; the County Comptroller; and the County Attorney.
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DALE W. LARSON
CHAIRMAN